

House Resolution No. 4106

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in silent reverie to recognize the lifetime achievements of an outstanding Missourian who positively touched the lives of countless individuals during his twenty-five-year journey on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, this legislative body was distressed to learn of the death of Missouri State Highway Patrolman Michael L. Newton, and passed legislation to name bridges over the Little Piney Creek, Michael's Favorite Fishing Spot; and

Whereas, Michael Newton was born to Garry J. and Bobbie L. Stevenson Newton on April 21, 1978, in Phelps County, and was living in Higginsville on May 22, 2003, when he was killed in the line of duty; and

Whereas, Trooper Michael Newton has been greatly missed by his grieving family whose members include his wife, Shonnie Newton; two sons, Tyler and Devon Newton; and his parents, Garry and Bobbie Newton; and

Whereas, Trooper Michael Newton proved to be an excellent officer who was known for his exceptional work ethic and big smile; and

Whereas, weeping may endure for a night but joy will come in the morning knowing Michael Newton is safe in God's arms and we too one day will fly away to be with him again; and

Whereas, Trooper Michael Newton will always be remembered as a person of unbounded vision who zealously supported many significant endeavors throughout his life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in paying tribute to Trooper Michael Newton and in expressing to his family our deepest sympathy at this difficult time of tremendous personal loss; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the loved ones of Missouri State Highway Patrolman Michael L. Newton of Troop A in Lafayette County.

Offered by _____
Representative Bob May
District No. 149

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4106, adopted September 16, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker